Industries located in the 'no industry district'

*293. SHRI S. W. DHABE:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many large or medium sized industries have been located in the States of Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh from the date of issue of Notification on 'no industry district' by the Central Government in 1982 till the 31st March, 1985;

(b) what are the names of these industries and whether they were transferred from the States like Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka because there are no 'no industry districts' in those States, except Bidar district, and

(c) what is the total cost of projects sanctioned and located in the 'no industry districts' in the above three States?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) and (b) Under the provisions of the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 22 new industrial licences were granted during 1st January, 1982 to 31st March, 1985 for setting up of industries in 'No-Industry Districts' of Madhya Pradesh, Bhiar and Uttar Pradesh. Details, such as name and address of the undertaking, items of manufacture, capacity and location in respect of all industrial licences issued are being published regularly by the Indian Investment Centre in their 'Monthly Newsletter'. Copies of this publication are available in the Parliament Library.

One of the important objects of Government's industrial policy is to correct the regional imbalances and to encourage dispersal of industry and setting up of units in industrially backward areas. In accordance with this policy, over-riding priority is given for the industrialisation of 'No-industry Districts'. However, after a letter of intent has been granted, any change of location is considered at the request of the entrepreneur.

(c) Information, according to the actual project cost involved, in each case is not maintained centrally in the Secretariat for Industrial Approvals in the Ministry of Industry and Company Affairs.

Loans obtained by M/s Parle (Exports) Private Limited

*294. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that M/s Parle (Exports) Private Limited have obtained loans from banks against hypothecation of all the fixed assets, raw materials, packing materials and finished goods;

(b) whether heavy interest free loans have been given by the company to the other allied companies;

(c) whether the auditors of the company have made observations on the accounts of the company pertaining to the period ending 31st March, 1984 in respect of the said interest free loans; and

(d) what steps have been taken by Government to protect the interest of the banks?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) The Balance Sheet of the Company as on 31-3-84 shows that the company has obtained secured loan from a bank against hypothecation of all fixed assets, raw materials packing materials, finished goods owned by the company and those of the Canners earmarked for the company and guranteed by some Directors.